



FANWOOD LUMBER AND SUPPLY. Known in its earliest days as the Hand Lumber and Coal Company, this South Avenue enterprise was operated by the Hand family through the late 1960s. Because the company was a valued customer of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, the railroad ran a dedicated spur across South Avenue just west of this building into the lumberyard.



THE LUMBERYARDS. By the late 1950s, expansive lumber sheds and additional retail space for Fanwood Lumber filled much of the block between Martine Avenue and Second Street. The company provided the materials for many of the homes built in Fanwood. In this post-1958 photograph, the steeple on the recently completed Presbyterian church appears in the background. Notice too the elevated railroad trestle that carried coal into the yard.